

**INFORMATION SHEET FOR SPRING 2010**

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**TEXTBOOK AND REFERENCES**

**Required:** T.H.G. Megson, An Introduction to Aircraft Structural Analysis, Butterworth-Heinemann, Elsevier, Burlington, MA, 2010.

**References:**

T.H.G. Megson, Aircraft Structures for Engineering Students, 2nd Edition, Halsted Press, 1990.

E.F. Bruhn, Analysis and Design of Flight Vehicle Structures, Jacobs Publishing, 1973.

**WEBSITES**

The website for the course is on Blackboard. Material for all students will be posted there.

Link: [http://blackboard.bu.edu/bin/common/course.pl?course\\_id=\\_26918\\_1](http://blackboard.bu.edu/bin/common/course.pl?course_id=_26918_1)

**GRADING**

Semester project	20%
Weekly homework, extended assignments, and quizzes	40%
Midterm exam	20%
Final exam	20%

## SYLLABUS

Week Beginning	Topic	Reading
Week 0.5	Structural components of an aircraft	Ch 11
Week 1.5	Vectors, matrices, and matrix algebra	Lecture notes
Week 2	Energy Methods	Ch 5
Week 3	Matrix Structural Analysis	Ch 6
Week 4	Stress	Secs. 1.1-1.8
Week 5	Strain	Secs. 1.9-1.15
Week 6	Materials and Fatigue	Ch 10, 14
Midterm Exam	Week of 7 March	Ch 1, 5, 6, 10, 14.
Week 7	Bending of thin walled beams	Ch 15
Spring Break	Week of 14 March	Ch 33
Week 8	Shear stress and flow in thin walled beams	Ch 16
Week 9	Torsion of thin walled beams	Ch 17
Week 10	Combined loading in beams	Ch 18
Week 11	Bending of thin plates	Ch 7
Week 12	Elastic Stability	Ch 8, 9
Week 13	Wing spars, box beams, wings	Ch 19, 20, 22.
Final Exam	11 May, 9-11am	Cumulative